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# Grapevine



**Friday, May 29, 2026**

**This Sunday: 1st Sunday after Pentecost**

Congregational minister Karen Hollis is on annual leave this week. In her place, **Rev. Trevor Malkinson**, who is very familiar to our congregation, will be leading worship.

## United Church Women (UCW)

### **All Women Invited to Spring Luncheon on Mon Jun 8 Luncheon will benefit Stepping Stones Recovery House**

All congregation women and those who identify as female are invited to come to the annual Spring Women's Luncheon hosted by the UCW (United Church Women) on **Monday June 8th from 12 to 2 p.m.**

In addition to the always delicious lunch, there will be games, entertainment, a prize draw and time to visit and meet new people.

The lunch is free but you are encouraged to bring a potluck dish to share as well as either a financial donation or items from the list below that will be given to our chosen charity "Stepping Stones Recovery House" which is a residential recovery program located in the Comox Valley whose purpose is to offer a safe, secure, and supportive environment for women seeking to recover from addiction.

Items the program needs are:

Hairbrushes	Nail files	Regular tampons	Super tampons
Body lotion	Deodorant	Face cream	Toothbrushes
Nail clippers	Q-Tip's		

(The program does not need: Shampoo, Conditioner or Sanitary pads)

***Come join the fun! Female friends and neighbours are welcome!***

**Spirituality • Openness • Care for the Common Good • Radical Love**

## Sunday Worship

Worship leader: **Rev Trevor Malkinson**

Facilitator: **Marni Fisher**

Director of Music: **Paul Colthorpe**

Pianist: **Gloria Herauf**

Greeters: **Les Herauf**  
**Sue Fabrizio**

PowerPoint: **Sue Newman**

Coffee: **Rod & Tanya Montague**

Livestream/Audio: **Ken Vaux**

## How to worship with us

### In Person

Sunday worship services are at 10 am.

### Livestream

Our livestream will be on [YouTube](#) at 10 am

([youtube.com/@comoxunitedchurch3917/streams](https://youtube.com/@comoxunitedchurch3917/streams))

### Recorded services

Recordings of all our livestream services can be found at  
[comoxunitedchurch.com/pages/online-sunday-services](https://comoxunitedchurch.com/pages/online-sunday-services)

## Welcome, Newcomer!

If you are new to Comox United Church, we welcome you as God welcomes us all.

Comox United Church is a faith community within the United Church of Canada. Our central values appear at the bottom of this page. We are one of over 300 Affirming United Church Ministries across Canada, which means we affirm, include, and celebrate people of every age, race, belief, culture, ability, income level, family configuration, gender, gender identity, and sexual orientation in the life and ministry of our church, and proudly display the crest of the association of affirming churches known as Affirm United.



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Affirm United*

For more information about our faith community, see [comoxunitedchurch.com](https://comoxunitedchurch.com)



## A new Website Tip every week!

To watch videos of past worship services, go to our website,. From the main menu across the top, click on **Virtual Services**. Scroll down to past services.

This is your website! Send comments to **Joyce Wagland**.  
([websiteadmin@comoxunitedchurch.com](mailto:websiteadmin@comoxunitedchurch.com) or 250-207-5650)

## New at Comox United: Pet Blessing Service on June 14

You are invited to bring your furry, scaled or feathered family member to church on Sunday, June 14 for a special Pet Blessing service.

All pets should be well-behaved and able to allow those around them to have a good experience. Dogs should be leashed and should be socialized to other dogs and people. Other types of pets should be crated, boxed or caged as appropriate.

You can also bring a photo of your pet to be blessed. There will also be a memorial place at the front of the church for photos of pets who have passed away.



## Knitting Group continues during the summer

Starting this Monday, the Knitting Group, which usually meets at the church on Mondays, will move outside! If you would like to join and need to know the location, contact **Bev Agur** ([bevagur@shaw.ca](mailto:bevagur@shaw.ca)).

## Parlez français avec Rev Karen!

*Les 21 et 28 juin, après l'office du dimanche, vous pourrez prendre un café avec Rev. Karen en salle 207 et discuter en français. Elle apprend le français ; ce serait donc une excellente façon de l'aider à améliorer ses compétences conversationnelles.*

Translation: On Sunday June 21 and 28 after worship, you can spend coffee time speaking French with Rev. Karen in Room 207. She is learning French, so this would be a great way to help her with her conversational skills.



# Summer Services



During July, we will be sharing services with three other local churches , each of us taking a turn to host a worship service! Here's where we'll be worshipping:

## Shared Services

**July 5** St. George's United (Fitzgerald Ave., Courtenay), 10<sup>30</sup> am

**July 12** St. Peter's Anglican (Church St., Comox), 10<sup>30</sup> am

**July 19** Comox United is hosting at 10 am!

**July 26** Comox Valley Presbyterian (Aspen Rd, Comox), 10<sup>30</sup> am



## Men's Breakfast on Sat Jun 20 will enjoy presentation by Cameron Cairncross

All men are invited to enjoy a continental breakfast on **Sat June 20 at 9 a.m.**, as well as a presentation by our own **Cameron Cairncross**.

Cameron spent an interesting career working as an Administrator in local government, most recently, in Sayward BC. He has an intimate understanding of local politics, policy development and the puzzling process that is used sometimes to make decisions and even to elect people. **He is very wise! ...and funny!** Cameron is also an excellent Improv leader, perhaps a useful tool for engaging in local government? Cameron is going to talk about elections: how people are led to vote, the political process and the joys, sorrows and laughter of local politics.

**Do come and enjoy Cameron and a delicious continental breakfast, all for the low, low price of \$10.00 !!!**

Please let Scott Agur know by Wed June 17 if you plan to come. ([agur@shaw.ca](mailto:agur@shaw.ca) )

As always, we could use some help in setting up and tidying following the event.

***This will be our last men's breakfast until Saturday, September 19, when our speaker will be John Stewart on the subject of "Diving/SAR".***

# WANTED

## CARING HEARTS FOR PASTORAL CARE

- Do you enjoy talking with people and hearing their stories?
- Could you bring comfort to someone in need?
- Do you have a desire to connect with members of our congregation who may be facing loneliness, isolation, grief, or anxiety over a medical issue?

If you possess compassionate listening skills and emotional maturity, Comox United's Pastoral Care Committee welcomes you to join us.

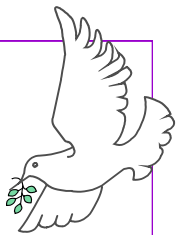
### REWARDS

- fulfillment of a sense of purpose
- skills development
- spiritual growth
- building community

Please contact **Noreen Robertson** at [noreenr1944@gmail.com](mailto:noreenr1944@gmail.com)  
or **Carol Jennerman** at [kcjmann@shaw.ca](mailto:kcjmann@shaw.ca)

### Memorial Service...

The memorial service for **Reta Walls** will be tomorrow, Saturday, May 30 at 11 am at the Comox Valley Funeral Home. Her obituary was published in the *Comox Valley Record* this week — you can find it at [comoxvalleyrecord.com/2026/05/19/reta-m-walls-ne-eastman/](http://comoxvalleyrecord.com/2026/05/19/reta-m-walls-ne-eastman/)



## Coming Events at a glance

### This Week...

Sun 10<sup>00</sup> a.m. Worship

Mon 1<sup>30</sup> p.m. Knitting Group (outside)

Tues 10<sup>00</sup> a.m. Coffee & Conversation

Thu 6<sup>30</sup> p.m. Choir

Sun 10<sup>00</sup> a.m. Worship

### Coming Soon...

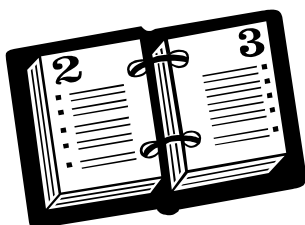
**June 8** UCW Spring Luncheon  
Knitting Group (outside)

**June 9** Coffee & Conversation

**June 11** Choir

**June 12** Centering Prayer

**June 14** Worship: Pet Blessing



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To get your announcement into the *Grapevine*, email or phone the church office:

**admin@comoxunitedchurch.com** or **250-339-3966**

**The deadline for articles is Thursday at 12 noon – No Exceptions!**

*Grapevine* is also posted on the Comox United website. If you have included your phone number or email address in your article and don't want to have that appear on the website, let the church office know when you submit your article.

**If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter via email, contact the church office.**

## Contact Us!

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## Rev Karen's Office Hours

Wednesday - Friday by appointment (email listed above, or phone the church office.)